

a terrestrial transmission/reception circuit for transmitting and receiving signals through a terrestrial wireless communication system,

a signal input/output circuit for inputting signals from the user and for outputting signals to the user, and

a connection controller and switch for selectively connecting the signal input/output circuit to one of the satellite transceiver and terrestrial transmission/reception circuits when said portable set is connected to said satellite transceiver and for connecting said signal input/output circuit to said terrestrial transmission/reception circuit when said portable set is disconnected from said satellite transceiver.

24. A mobile communication terminal equipment as defined in claim 23,

wherein said satellite transceiver further includes a satellite controller for controlling the signal transmission/reception at the satellite transmission/reception circuit,

wherein said portable set further includes a terrestrial controller for controlling the signal transmission/reception at the terrestrial transmission/reception circuit, and

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wherein said signal input/output circuit is controlled by
the satellite controller when the satellite
transmission/reception circuit is connected to the signal
input/output circuit, and controlled by the terrestrial
controller when the terrestrial transmission/reception circuit is
connected to the signal input/output circuit.

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25. A mobile communication terminal equipment as defined in
claim 24,

wherein said connection controller includes command input
means for inputting a user's command relating the operation of
said switch, and

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wherein control signals are transmitted and received between
the satellite controller, the terrestrial controller and the
command input means, said control signals including information
which is indicative at least one of the signal reception state of
the satellite transmission/reception circuit, the signal
reception state of the terrestrial transmission/reception
circuit, the operational state of the switch, and a command from
the command input means.

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26. A mobile communication terminal equipment as defined in claim 24,

5 wherein said connection controller includes command input
means for inputting a user's command for changing over the
10 switch, the user's command from the command input means is
inputted into the satellite controller and the satellite
controller instructs the terrestrial controller the changing-over
when the satellite transmission/reception circuit is connected to
the signal input/output circuit, and inputted into the
terrestrial controller when the terrestrial
transmission/reception circuit is connected to the signal
input/output circuit, and

15 wherein the terrestrial controller controls the switch in
response to an instruction by the satellite controller when the
satellite transmission/reception circuit is connected to the
signal input/output circuit, and controls the switch in response
to the user's command from the command input means when the
terrestrial transmission/reception circuit is connected to the
signal input/output circuit.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-18 stand allowed, claims 19-22 stand rejected, and new claims 23-